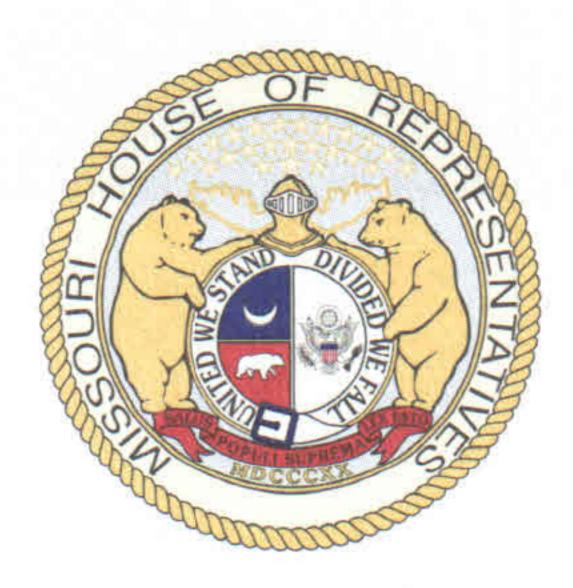
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March 1, 2012

Ms. Marlene Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: LightSquared

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit comments in support of LightSquared's proposed mobile broadband network.

I represent several counties in mid-Missouri that do not have many options for mobile broadband access. LightSquared could change that. The company's proposed network would spur competition and innovation in the wireless industry while expanding the nation's wireless broadband capacity and reaching underserved communities – all without a penny of taxpayer money. The numerous benefits increased broadband access offers to not only my constituents, but Americans all over the country, are too great to let this opportunity pass.

LightSquared has played by the rules, following regulatory procedures and processes for a decade as it prepared to launch its network. When interference concerns have been raised, the company has taken steps to address them – all in an effort to peacefully co-exist with existing technologies like global positioning system (GPS) devices.

However, now it is time for the FCC to take an active role in finding a way forward for LightSquared and GPS. LightSquared has already invested several billion dollars in the network based on the FCC's mandate to build a nationwide network that reaches 260 million Americans by 2015. If the FCC fails to follow through, it will undermine one of the most significant investments in U.S. wireless infrastructure of the past ten years.

I sincerely hope the FCC will not close the books on LightSquared and instead will figure out a path forward. Missourians and all Americans deserve world-class wireless broadband and fully functioning GPS.

I encourage the FCC to determine whether harmful interference actually occurs. I do not want to hurt

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precision agriculture, but if broadband networking can be advanced without doing harm, that is important to know.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Caleb Jones

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